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H. RES. 222

Providing for the public release of documentation and testimony before the
House Post Office Task Force.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 21, 1993

Mr. MICHEL submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

Providing for the public release of documentation and
testimony before the House Post Office Task Force.

Whereas on July 22, 1992, the House of Representatives
voted to transmit to the Committee on Standards of Official
Conduct the committee report and all records obtained
by the Task Force to Investigate the Operation
and Management of the House Post Office;

Whereas the report of the Committee on House Administration
selectively included portions of the transcript of the
proceedings of the Task Force in the appendix of their
Report;

Whereas efforts in the One hundred second Congress to re-
lease the full transcript of the Task Force were defeated
in the House on July 22, 1992, and July 23, 1992;

Whereas the former Postmaster of the House of Representatives, Robert V. Rota, from 1978 continuing until April 1992 conspired, confederated, and agreed with other persons, including Members of Congress, to commit offenses against the United States;

Whereas the former Postmaster has pled guilty to making false statements to the Task Force and discussed with his supervisor of accounts the need to withhold information during interviews with United States Postal Inspectors and the congressional committee investigating the House Post Office;

Whereas the former Postmaster engaged in a cover up of the exchange of vouchers and postage stamps for cash beginning in May 1980 and continued throughout the House investigation of the post office; and

Whereas the integrity of the House of Representatives has been impugned by the actions of Mr. Rota and others:
Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Committee on House Administra-
- 2 tion is directed to immediately make public complete tran-
- 3 scripts of all proceedings of the Task Force, including
- 4 depositions and statements of witnesses and any tapes of
- 5 such proceedings.

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